## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

## HOUSE BILL NO. 75

## BY BUSINESS COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO LIFE SETTLEMENTS; AMENDING CHAPTER 19, TITLE 41, IDAHO CODE, BY THE ADDITION OF NEW SECTIONS 41-1950 THROUGH 41-1965, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE A SHORT TITLE AND SCOPE, TO DEFINE TERMS, TO REQUIRE LICENSURE, TO MANDATE THE FILING OF CONTRACTS AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS, TO DESCRIBE REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND TO PROTECT PRIVACY, TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXAMINATION OF LICENSEES, TO PROVIDE FOR RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS, TO SPECIFY DISCLOSURES TO BE MADE TO THE OWNER UPON APPLICATION, TO SPECIFY REQUIRED DISCLOSURES, TO REQUIRE CERTAIN NOTICES, TO SET FORTH GENERAL RULES GOVERNING THE TRANSACTION OF LIFE SETTLEMENTS, TO DESCRIBE PERMISSIBLE LIFE SETTLEMENTS AND RELATED DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS, TO PROHIBIT CERTAIN PRACTICES AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, TO PROHIBIT MISLEADING ADVERTISING, TO PROVIDE PENALTIES, TO AUTHORIZE RULEMAKING AND TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

SECTION 1. That Chapter 19, Title 41, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended by the addition thereto of <u>NEW SECTIONS</u>, to be known and designated as Sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, and to read as follows:

- 41-1950. SHORT TITLE AND SCOPE. (1) Sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, may be cited as the "Life Settlements Act."
- (2) Nothing contained herein is intended to abrogate or conflict with the Idaho uniform securities act contained in chapter 14, title 30, Idaho Code, or supersede the duty of persons to comply with that or any other applicable law. Given the combined interest and regulation of life settlements by the department and the department of finance, the director and the director of the department of finance should cooperate in the exercise of discretionary acts and enforcement of the applicable laws within their respective authority and responsibility.
- (3) Unless clearly inapplicable, other provisions and chapters of title 41, Idaho Code, apply to licensees and persons subject to sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, including, but not limited to, chapters 1 through 5, 10, 13, 18 and 19, title 41, Idaho Code. Specifically, section 41-220, Idaho Code, applies to licensees under sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code.

## 41-1951. DEFINITIONS. In sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code:

(1) "Advertising" means any written, electronic or printed communication or any communication by means of recorded telephone messages or transmitted on radio, television, the internet or similar communications media, including film strips, motion pictures and videos, published, disseminated, circulated or placed directly before the public, in this state, for the

purpose of creating an interest in or inducing a person to sell, assign, devise, bequest or transfer the death benefit or ownership of a life insurance policy pursuant to a life settlement contract.

- (2) "Business of life settlements" means an activity involved in, but not limited to, the offering to enter into, soliciting, negotiating, procuring or effectuating a life settlement contract. The transaction of the business of life settlements is within the scope of the transaction of the business of insurance as provided in section 41-112, Idaho Code.
  - (3) "Chronically ill" means:

- (a) Being unable to perform at least two (2) activities of daily living such as eating, toileting, transferring, bathing, dressing or continence; or
- (b) Requiring substantial supervision to protect the individual from threats to health and safety due to severe cognitive impairment.
- (4) "Financing entity" means an underwriter, placement agent, lender, purchaser of securities, purchaser of a policy or certificate from a life settlement provider, credit enhancer or any entity that has a direct ownership in a policy or certificate that is the subject of a life settlement contract, but:
  - (a) Whose principal activity related to the transaction is providing funds to effect the life settlement or purchase of one (1) or more settled policies; and
  - (b) Who has an agreement in writing with one (1) or more licensed life settlement providers to finance the acquisition of life settlement contracts.

"Financing entity" does not include a nonaccredited investor. An "accredited investor" is defined by rule 501 of regulation D, 17 CFR 230.501(a).

- (5) "Life insurance producer" means any person licensed in this state as a resident or nonresident insurance producer who has received qualification or authority for life insurance coverage or a life line of coverage pursuant to section 41-1008, Idaho Code.
- (6) "Life settlement broker" or "broker" means a person who, working exclusively on behalf of an owner and for a fee, commission or other valuable consideration, offers or attempts to negotiate life settlement contracts between an owner and one (1) or more life settlement providers or one (1) or more life settlement brokers. Notwithstanding the manner in which the life settlement broker is compensated, a life settlement broker is deemed to represent only the owner, and not the insurer or the life settlement provider, and owes a fiduciary duty to the owner to act according to the owner's instructions and in the best interest of the owner. Nothing in this definition reduces or impairs the scope of the definitions in section 30-14-102, Idaho Code, including, but not limited to, agent, broker-dealer, investment adviser, and investment adviser representative. The term does not include an attorney, certified public accountant or a financial planner accredited by a nationally recognized accreditation agency, who is retained to represent the owner and whose compensation is not paid directly or indirectly by the life settlement provider or purchaser.
- (7) "Life settlement contract" means an agreement between an owner and a life settlement provider or any affiliate, as that term is defined in section 41-3801(1), Idaho Code, of the life settlement provider establishing the terms under which compensation or anything of value is or will be paid, which compensation or value is less than the expected death benefits of the policy, in return for the owner's present or future assignment, transfer, sale, hypothecation, devise or bequest of the death benefit or ownership of any portion of the insurance policy or certificate of insurance. Nothing in this definition reduces or impairs the scope of the definition of security contained in section 30-14-102(28), Idaho Code.

- (a) "Life settlement contract" includes a premium finance loan made for a life insurance policy on or before the date of issuance of the policy where one (1) or more of the following conditions apply:
  - (i) The loan proceeds are not used solely to pay premiums for the policy and any costs or expenses incurred by the lender or the borrower in connection with the financing;
  - (ii) The owner or the insured receives on the date of the premium finance loan a guarantee of a future life settlement value of the policy; or
  - (iii) The owner or the insured agrees on the date of the premium finance loan to sell the policy or any portion of its death benefit on any date following the issuance of the policy.
- (b) "Life settlement contract" includes the transfer, for compensation or value, of ownership or beneficial interest in a trust or other entity that owns such policy if the trust or other person was formed or availed of for the principal purpose of acquiring one (1) or more life insurance policies which life insurance contract insures the life of a person residing in this state.
- (c) "Life settlement contract" does not include any of the following:
  - (i) A policy loan or accelerated death benefit made by the insurer pursuant to the policy's terms;
  - (ii) A loan, the proceeds of which are used solely to pay:
    - (A) Premiums for the policy; and

- (B) The costs of the loan, including, without limitation, interest, arrangement fees, utilization fees and similar fees, closing costs, legal fees and expenses, trustee fees and expenses, and third party collateral provider fees and expenses, including fees payable to letter of credit issuers;
- (iii) A loan made by a bank or other licensed financial institution in which the lender takes an interest in a life insurance policy solely to secure repayment of a loan or, if there is a default on the loan and the policy is transferred, the transfer of such a policy by the lender, provided that neither the default itself nor the transfer of the policy in connection with the default is pursuant to an agreement or understanding with any other person for the purpose of evading regulation under sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code;
- (iv) A loan made by a lender that does not violate the Idaho consumer credit code, provided that the premium finance loan is not described in paragraph (a) of this subsection;
- (v) An agreement where all the parties are closely related to the insured by blood or law or have a lawful substantial economic interest in the continued life, health and bodily safety of the person insured, or are trusts established primarily for the benefit of such parties;
- (vi) Any designation, consent or agreement by an insured who is an employee of an employer in connection with the purchase by the employer, or trust established by the employer, of life insurance on the life of the employee;
- (vii) A bona fide business succession planning arrangement:
  - (A) Between one (1) or more shareholders in a corporation or between a corporation and one (1) or more of its shareholders or one (1) or more trusts established by its shareholders;

- (B) Between one (1) or more partners in a partnership or between a partnership and one (1) or more of its partners or one (1) or more trusts established by its partners; or
- (C) Between one (1) or more members in a limited liability company or between a limited liability company and one (1) or more of its members or one (1) or more trusts established by its members;
- (viii) An agreement entered into by a service recipient, or a trust established by the service recipient, and a service provider, or a trust established by the service provider, who performs significant services for the service recipient's trade or business; or
- (ix) Any other contract, transaction or arrangement exempted from the definition of life settlement contract by the director based on a determination that the contract, transaction or arrangement is not of the type intended to be regulated by sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code.
- (8) "Life settlement provider" or "provider" means a person, other than an owner, who enters into or effectuates a life settlement contract with an owner resident in this state. Nothing in this definition reduces or impairs the scope of the definitions of section 30-14-102, Idaho Code, including, but not limited to, agent, broker-dealer, investment adviser, and investment adviser representative. "Life settlement provider" does not include:
  - (a) A bank, savings bank, savings and loan association, credit union or other licensed lending institution that takes an assignment of a life insurance policy solely as collateral for a loan;
  - (b) A premium finance company making premium finance loans that takes an assignment of a life insurance policy solely as collateral for a loan;
  - (c) The insurer of the life insurance policy;
  - (d) An authorized or eligible insurer that provides stop loss coverage or financial guaranty insurance to a life settlement provider, purchaser, financing entity, special purpose entity or related provider trust;
  - (e) A financing entity;
  - (f) A special purpose entity;
  - (g) A related provider trust; or
  - (h) Any other person that the director determines is not the type of person intended to be covered by the definition of life settlement provider.
- (9) "Owner" means the owner of a life insurance policy or a certificate holder under a group policy who resides in this state and enters or seeks to enter into a life settlement contract. For the purposes of sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, an owner shall not be limited to an owner of a life insurance policy or a certificate holder under a group policy insuring the life of an individual with a terminal or chronic illness or condition except where specifically addressed.
  - (a) If there is more than one (1) owner on a single policy and the owners are residents of different states, the transaction shall be governed by the law of the state in which the owner having the largest percentage ownership resides or, if the owners hold equal ownership, the state of residence of one (1) owner agreed upon in writing by all the owners
  - (b) "Owner" does not include:

- (i) A licensee under sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, including a life insurance producer acting as a life settlement broker pursuant to sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code;
- (ii) Qualified institutional buyer as defined, respectively, in rule 144A, 17 CFR 230.144A, promulgated under the federal securities act of 1933, 15 USC section 77a et seq., as amended;
- (iii) A financing entity;

- (iv) A special purpose entity; or
- (v) A related provider trust.
- (10) "Policy" means an individual or group policy, group certificate, contract or arrangement of life insurance owned by a resident of this state, regardless of whether delivered or issued for delivery in this state.
- (11) "Premium finance loan" means a loan made primarily for the purpose of making premium payments on a life insurance policy, which loan is secured by an interest in such life insurance policy.
- (12) "Related provider trust" means a titling trust or other trust established by a licensed life settlement provider or a financing entity for the sole purpose of holding the ownership or beneficial interest in purchased policies in connection with a financing transaction. The trust shall have a written agreement with the licensed life settlement provider under which the licensed life settlement provider is responsible for ensuring compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements and under which the trust agrees to make all records and files related to life settlement transactions available to the director as if those records and files were maintained directly by the licensed life settlement provider.
- (13) "Settled policy" means a life insurance policy or certificate that has been acquired by a life settlement provider pursuant to a life settlement contract.
- (14) "Special purpose entity" means a corporation, partnership, trust, limited liability company or other similar entity formed solely to provide either directly or indirectly access to institutional capital markets:
  - (a) For a financing entity or licensed life settlement provider;
  - (b) In connection with a transaction in which the securities in the special purposes entity are acquired by the owner or by "qualified institutional buyers" as defined in rule 144 of the federal securities act of 1933, as amended; or
  - (c) In connection with a transaction in which the securities pay a fixed rate of return commensurate with established asset-backed institutional capital markets.
- (15) "Stranger-originated life insurance" or "STOLI" means an act, plan, practice, or arrangement to initiate a life insurance policy for the benefit of a third party investor who, at the time of policy origination, has no insurable interest in the insured. STOLI practices include, but are not limited to, cases in which life insurance is purchased with resources or guarantees from or through a person, who, at the time of policy inception, could not lawfully initiate the policy himself or itself, and where, at the time of inception, there is an arrangement or agreement, whether oral or written, to directly or indirectly transfer the ownership of the policy or the policy benefits to a third party. Trusts that are created to give the appearance of an insurable interest and are used to initiate policies for investors violate insurable interest laws and the prohibition against wagering on life. STOLI arrangements do not include those practices set forth in subsection (7)(c) of this section.

(16) "Terminally ill" means having an illness or sickness that can reasonably be expected to result in death within twenty-four (24) months or less.

- 41-1952. LICENSE REQUIREMENT. (1) A person shall not act as a life settlement provider or life settlement broker where the owner of the life insurance policy is a resident of this state without first obtaining a license from the director as a life insurance producer under chapter 10, title 41, Idaho Code, and complying with the additional requirements set forth in sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code.
- (2) Not later than ten (10) days from the first day of operating as a life settlement broker or provider, and thereafter upon renewal of the life insurance producer license, the life insurance producer shall notify the director that he or she is acting as a life settlement broker or provider on a form prescribed by the director, and shall pay any applicable fee to be determined by the director specified by rule pursuant to section 41-401, Idaho Code. Notification shall include an acknowledgment by the life insurance producer that he or she will operate as a life settlement broker in accordance with sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code.
- (3) The insurer that issued the policy being settled shall not be responsible for any act or omission of a life settlement broker or life settlement provider arising out of or in connection with the life settlement transaction, unless the insurer receives compensation for the placement of a life settlement contract from the life settlement provider or life settlement broker in connection with the life settlement contract.
- 41-1953. FILING OF LIFE SETTLEMENT CONTRACTS AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS. A person shall not use a life settlement contract form or provide to an owner a disclosure statement form in this state unless first filed with the director accompanied by a certification that the form is in compliance with sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code. The director may disapprove a life settlement contract form or disclosure statement form if, in the director's opinion, the contract or provisions contained therein fail to meet the requirements of sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, or are unreasonable, contrary to the interests of the public, or otherwise misleading or unfair to the owner. At the director's discretion, the director may require the submission of advertising material.
- 41-1954. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS AND PRIVACY. (1) Each life settlement provider shall file with the director, on or before March 1 of each year, an annual statement containing such information on a form prescribed by the director or as prescribed by rule. Such information shall be limited to only those transactions where the owner is a resident of this state.
- (2) Except as otherwise allowed or required by law, a life settlement provider, life settlement broker, insurance company, insurance producer, information bureau, rating agency or company, or any other person with actual knowledge of an insured's identity, shall not disclose that identity as an insured, or the insured's financial or medical information to any other person unless the disclosure is:
  - (a) Necessary to effect a life settlement between the owner and a life settlement provider and the owner and insured have provided prior written consent to the disclosure;
  - (b) Provided in response to an investigation or examination by the director or any other governmental officer or agency;
  - (c) A term of or condition to the transfer of a policy by one (1) life settlement provider to another life settlement provider;

- (d) Necessary to permit a financing entity, related provider trust or special purpose entity to finance the purchase of policies by a life settlement provider and the owner and insured have provided prior written consent to the disclosure;
- (e) Necessary to allow the life settlement provider or life settlement broker or their authorized representatives to make contacts for the purpose of determining health status;
- (f) Required to purchase stop loss coverage or financial guaranty insurance; or
- (g) Permitted by any other provision of applicable law.

- 41-1955. EXAMINATION AND RECORDS. (1) A person required to be licensed by sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, is subject to examination as authorized in chapter 2, title 41, Idaho Code, and shall for five (5) years retain copies of all:
  - (a) Proposed, offered and executed contracts, purchase agreements, underwriting documents, policy forms, executed disclosure statements and applications from the date of the proposal, offer or execution of the contract or purchase agreement, whichever is later;
  - (b) All checks, drafts or other evidence and documentation related to the payment, transfer, deposit or release of funds from the date of the transaction; and
  - (c) All other records and documents related to the requirements of sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code.
- (2) The provisions of this section does not relieve a person of the obligation to produce these documents to the director after the retention period has expired if the person has retained the documents.
- (3) Records required to be retained by this section must be legible and complete and in accordance with section 28-50-107, Idaho Code, and may be retained in paper, photograph, microprocess, magnetic, mechanical, or electronic media, or by any process that accurately reproduces or forms a durable medium for the reproduction of a record.
- 41-1956. DISCLOSURE TO OWNER UPON APPLICATION. With each application for a life settlement contract, a life settlement provider or life settlement broker shall provide the owner with at least the following disclosures no later than the time the application for the life settlement contract is signed by all parties. The disclosures shall be provided in a separate document that is signed by the owner and the life settlement provider or life settlement broker, and shall provide the following information:
- (1) There are possible alternatives to life settlement contracts including any accelerated death benefits or policy loans offered under the owner's life insurance policy.
- (2) That a life settlement broker represents exclusively the owner, and not the insurer or the life settlement provider, and owes a fiduciary duty to the owner, including a duty to act according to the owner's instructions and in the best interest of the owner.
- (3) Some or all of the proceeds of the life settlement may be taxable under federal and state law, and assistance should be sought from a professional tax advisor.
  - (4) Proceeds of the life settlement could be subject to the claims of creditors.
- (5) Receipt of the proceeds of a life settlement may adversely affect the owner's eligibility for medicaid or other government benefits or entitlements, and advice should be obtained from the appropriate government agencies.
- (6) The owner has the right to rescind a life settlement contract within twenty (20) days of the date it is executed by all parties. Rescission, if exercised by the owner, is effective only if both notice of the rescission is given, and the owner repays all proceeds and any premiums,

loans and loan interest paid on account of the life settlement contract within the rescission period. If the insured dies during the rescission period, the life settlement contract shall be deemed to have been rescinded, subject to repayment by the owner or the owner's estate of all life settlement proceeds and any premiums, loans and loan interest.

- (7) Funds will be sent to the owner within three (3) business days after the life settlement provider has received the insurer or group administrator's written acknowledgment that ownership of the policy or interest in the certificate has been transferred and the beneficiary has been designated.
- (8) Entering into a life settlement contract may cause other rights or benefits, including conversion rights and waiver of premium benefits that may exist under the policy or certificate, to be forfeited by the owner. Assistance should be sought from a financial adviser.
- (9) Disclosure to an owner shall include distribution of a brochure describing the process of life settlements. The national association of insurance commissioners (NAIC) form for the brochure shall be used unless another form is developed or approved by the director.
- (10) The disclosure document shall contain the following language: "All medical, financial or personal information solicited or obtained by a life settlement provider or life settlement broker about an insured, including the insured's identity or the identity of family members, a spouse or a significant other may be disclosed as necessary to effect the life settlement between the owner and the life settlement provider. If you are asked to provide this information, you will be asked to consent to the disclosure. The information may be provided to someone who buys the policy or provides funds for the purchase. You may be asked to renew your permission to share information every two (2) years."
- (11) Following execution of a life settlement contract, the insured may be contacted for the purpose of determining the insured's health status and to confirm the insured's residential or business street address and telephone number, or as otherwise provided in sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code. This contact shall be limited to once every three (3) months if the insured has a life expectancy of more than one (1) year, and no more than once per month if the insured has a life expectancy of one (1) year or less. All such contacts shall be made only by a life settlement provider licensed in the state in which the owner resided at the time of the life settlement, or by the authorized representative of a duly licensed life settlement provider.
- 41-1957. DISCLOSURE TO OWNER BY PROVIDER UPON SETTLEMENT CONTRACT. A life settlement provider shall provide the owner with at least the following disclosures prior to the time the owner signs the life settlement contract. The disclosures shall be conspicuously displayed in the life settlement contract or in a separate document signed by the owner and shall provide the following information:
- (1) The affiliation, if any, between the life settlement provider and the issuer of the insurance policy to be settled;
  - (2) The name, business address and telephone number of the life settlement provider;
- (3) If an insurance policy to be settled has been issued as a joint policy or involves family riders or any coverage of a life other than the insured under the policy to be settled, the possible loss of coverage on the other lives under the policy and shall be advised to consult with his or her insurance producer or the insurer issuing the policy for advice on the proposed life settlement;

(4) The dollar amount of the current death benefit payable under the policy or certificate. If known, the life settlement provider shall also disclose the availability of any additional guaranteed insurance benefits, the dollar amount of any accidental death and dismemberment benefits under the policy or certificate and the extent to which the owner's interest in those benefits will be transferred as a result of the life settlement contract; and

- (5) The name, business address and telephone number of the independent third party escrow agent, and the fact that the owner may inspect or receive copies of the relevant escrow or trust agreements or documents.
- 41-1958. DISCLOSURE TO OWNER BY BROKER UPON SETTLEMENT CONTRACT. A life settlement broker shall provide the owner with at least the following disclosures prior to the time the owner signs the life settlement contract. The disclosures shall be conspicuously displayed in the life settlement contract or in a separate document signed by the owner and provide the following information:
  - (1) The name, business address and telephone number of the life settlement broker;
- (2) A full, complete and accurate description of all offers, counteroffers, acceptances and rejections relating to the proposed life settlement contract;
- (3) A written disclosure of any affiliations or contractual arrangements between the life settlement broker and any person making an offer in connection with the proposed life settlement contracts:
- (4) The amount and method of calculating the broker's compensation, which term "compensation" includes anything of value to be paid or given to a life settlement broker for the placement of a policy; and
- (5) Where any portion of the life settlement broker's compensation is taken from a proposed life settlement offer, the total amount of the life settlement offer and the percentage of the life settlement offer comprised by the life settlement broker's compensation.
- 41-1959. NOTICE OF CHANGE BY PROVIDER. If the life settlement provider transfers ownership or changes the beneficiary of the insurance policy, the provider shall communicate in writing the change in ownership or beneficiary to the insured within twenty (20) days after the change.
- 41-1960. GENERAL RULES. (1) A life settlement provider entering into a life settlement contract shall first obtain:
  - (a) If the owner is the insured, a written statement from a licensed attending physician that the owner is of sound mind and under no constraint or undue influence to enter into a life settlement contract; and
  - (b) A document in which the insured consents to the release of his or her medical records to a licensed life settlement provider, life settlement broker and the insurance company that issued the life insurance policy covering the life of the insured.
- (2) Within twenty (20) days after an owner executes documents necessary to transfer any rights under an insurance policy or within twenty (20) days of entering any agreement, option, promise or any other form of understanding, expressed or implied, to settle the policy, the life settlement provider shall give written notice to the insurer that issued that insurance policy that the policy has or will become a settled policy. The notice shall be accompanied by the documents required by subsection (3) of this section.
  - (3) The life settlement provider shall deliver:

- (a) A copy of the medical release required under subsection (1)(b) of this section;
- (b) A copy of the owner's application for the life settlement contract;
- (c) The notice required under subsection (2) of this section; and

- (d) A request for verification of coverage to the insurer that issued the life policy that is the subject of the life transaction. The NAIC's form for verification of coverage shall be used unless another form is developed and approved by the director.
- (4) The insurer shall respond to a request for verification of coverage submitted on an approved form by a life settlement provider or life settlement broker within thirty (30) calendar days of the date the request is received and shall indicate whether, based on the medical evidence and documents provided, the insurer intends to pursue an investigation at that time regarding the validity of the insurance contract or possible fraud. The insurer shall accept a request for verification of coverage made on an NAIC form or any other form approved by the director. The insurer shall accept an original or facsimile or electronic copy of such request and any accompanying authorization signed by the owner. Failure by the insurer to meet its obligations under this subsection shall be a violation of section 41-1964, Idaho Code.
- (5) Prior to or at the time of execution of the life settlement contract, the life settlement provider shall obtain a witnessed document in which the owner consents to the life settlement contract, represents that the owner has a full and complete understanding of the life settlement contract, that he or she has a full and complete understanding of the benefits of the life insurance policy, acknowledges that he or she is entering into the life settlement contract freely and voluntarily and, for persons with a terminal or chronic illness or condition, acknowledges that the insured has a terminal or chronic illness and that the terminal or chronic illness or condition was diagnosed after the life insurance policy was issued.
- (6) If a life settlement broker performs these activities required of the life settlement provider, the provider is deemed to have fulfilled the requirements of this section.
- (7) All medical information solicited or obtained by any licensee shall be subject to the applicable provisions of state and federal law relating to confidentiality of medical information.
- (8) All life settlement contracts entered into in this state, or covering a resident of this state as owner, shall provide the owner with an absolute right to rescind the contract within twenty (20) calendar days of the date upon which the life settlement contract is executed by all parties. Rescission by the owner is conditioned upon the owner both giving notice and repaying to the life settlement provider within the rescission period all proceeds of the settlement and any premiums, loans and loan interest paid by or on behalf of the life settlement provider in connection with or as a consequence of the life settlement. insured dies during the rescission period, the life settlement contract shall be deemed to have been rescinded, subject to repayment to the life settlement provider or other person of all life settlement proceeds, and any premiums, loans and loan interest that have been paid by the life settlement provider or other person. In the event of any rescission, if the life settlement provider has paid commissions or other compensation to a life settlement broker in connection with the rescinded transaction, the life settlement broker shall refund all such commissions and compensation to the life settlement provider within five (5) business days following receipt of written demand from the life settlement provider, which demand shall be accompanied by either the owner's notice of rescission if rescinded at the election of the owner, or notice of the death of the insured if rescinded by reason of the death of the insured within the applicable rescission period.

- (9) The life settlement provider shall instruct the owner to send the executed documents required to effect the change in ownership, assignment or change in beneficiary directly to an independent escrow agent. Within three (3) business days after the date the escrow agent receives the documents, or from the date the life settlement provider receives the documents, if the owner erroneously provides the documents directly to the provider, the provider shall pay or transfer the proceeds of the life settlement into an escrow or trust account maintained in a state or federally-chartered financial institution whose deposits are insured by the federal deposit insurance corporation (FDIC). Upon payment of the settlement proceeds into the escrow account, the escrow agent shall deliver the original change in ownership, assignment or change in beneficiary forms to the life settlement provider or related provider trust or other designated representative of the life settlement provider. Upon the escrow agent's receipt of the acknowledgment of the properly completed transfer of ownership, assignment or designation of beneficiary from the insurance company, the escrow agent shall pay the settlement proceeds to the owner.
- (10) Failure to tender consideration to the owner for the life settlement contract within the time set forth in the disclosure pursuant to section 41-1956(7), Idaho Code, renders the life settlement contract voidable by the owner for lack of consideration until the time consideration is tendered to and accepted by the owner.
- (11) Contacts with the insured for the purpose of determining the health status of the insured by the life settlement provider or life settlement broker after the life settlement has occurred shall only be made by the life settlement provider or broker licensed in this state or its authorized representatives and shall be limited to once every three (3) months for insureds with a life expectancy of more than one (1) year, and to no more than once per month for insureds with a life expectancy of one (1) year or less. The provider or broker shall explain the procedure for these contacts at the time the life settlement contract is entered into. The limitations set forth in this subsection shall not apply to any contacts with an insured for reasons other than determining the insured's health status. Life settlement providers and life settlement brokers shall be responsible for the actions of their authorized representatives.
- 41-1961. PERMITTED LIFE SETTLEMENTS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION. (1) It is a violation of the provisions of sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, for any person to enter into a life settlement contract at any time prior to the issuance of a policy which is the subject of a life settlement contract or within a two (2) year period commencing with the date of issuance of the insurance policy or certificate unless the owner certifies to the life settlement provider that one (1) or more of the following conditions have been met within the two (2) year period:
  - (a) The policy was issued upon the owner's exercise of conversion rights arising out of a group or individual policy, provided the total of the time covered under the conversion policy plus the time covered under the prior policy is at least twenty-four (24) months. The time covered under a group policy shall be calculated without regard to any change in insurance carriers, provided the coverage has been continuous and under the same group sponsorship;
  - (b) As part of the certification, the owner submits independent evidence to the life settlement provider that one (1) or more of the following conditions have been met within the two (2) year period:
    - (i) The owner or insured is terminally or chronically ill;

(ii) The owner's spouse dies;

- (iii) The owner divorces his or her spouse;
- (iv) The owner retires from full-time employment;
- (v) The owner becomes physically or mentally disabled and a physician determines that the disability prevents the owner from maintaining full-time employment; or
- (vi) A final order, judgment or decree is entered by a court of competent jurisdiction on the application of a creditor or the owner, adjudicating the owner bankrupt or insolvent, or approving a petition seeking reorganization of the owner or appointing a receiver, trustee or liquidator to all or a substantial part of the owner's assets.
- (2) Copies of the independent evidence described in subsection (1)(b) of this section and documents required in section 41-1960(1) through (5), Idaho Code, shall be submitted to the insurer when the life settlement provider or other party entering into a life settlement contract with an owner submits a request to the insurer for verification of coverage. The copies shall be accompanied by a letter of attestation from the life settlement provider that the copies are true and correct copies of the documents received by the life settlement provider.
- (3) If the life settlement provider submits to the insurer a copy of the owner or insured's certification described in and the independent evidence required by subsection (1)(b) of this section when the provider submits a request to the insurer to effect the transfer of the policy or certificate to the life settlement provider, the copy shall be deemed to conclusively establish that the life settlement contract satisfies the requirements of this section and the insurer shall timely respond to the request.
- (4) No insurer may, as a condition of responding to a request for verification of coverage or effecting the transfer of a policy pursuant to a life settlement contract, require that the owner, insured, life settlement provider or life settlement broker sign any forms, disclosures, consent or waiver form that has not been filed with the director for use in connection with life settlement contracts in this state.
- (5) Upon receipt of a properly completed request for change of ownership or beneficiary of a policy, the insurer shall respond in writing within thirty (30) days with written acknowledgment confirming that the change has been effected or specifying the reasons why the requested change cannot be processed. The insurer shall not unreasonably delay effecting change of ownership or beneficiary and shall not otherwise seek to interfere with any life settlement contract lawfully entered into in this state.
- 41-1962. PROHIBITED PRACTICES AND CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. (1) It is a violation of the provisions of sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, for any person to engage in any act that constitutes or promotes a STOLI regarding any resident of this state.
- (2) With respect to any life settlement contract or insurance policy, no life settlement broker knowingly shall solicit an offer from, effectuate a life settlement with or make a sale to any life settlement provider, life settlement purchaser, financing entity or related provider trust that is an affiliate of such life settlement broker unless such relationship is first disclosed to the owner.
- (3) With respect to any life settlement contract or insurance policy, no life settlement provider knowingly shall enter into a life settlement contract with an owner, if, in connection with such life settlement contract, anything of value will be paid to a life settlement broker

that is an affiliate of such life settlement provider or any investor, financing entity or related provider trust that is involved in such life settlement contract unless such relationship is first disclosed to the owner.

- (4) No person shall enter into a premium finance agreement with any other person or affiliate thereof pursuant to which such person shall receive any proceeds, fees or other consideration, directly or indirectly, from the policy or owner of the policy or any other person with respect to the premium finance agreement or any life settlement contract or other transaction related to such policy that are in addition to the amounts required to pay the principal, interest and service charges related to policy premiums pursuant to the premium finance agreement or subsequent sale of such agreement; provided further that any payments, charges, fees or other amounts in addition to the amounts required to pay the principal, interest and service charges related to policy premiums paid under the premium finance agreement shall be remitted to the original owner of the policy or to his or her estate if he or she is not living at the time of the determination of overpayment.
- (5) In the solicitation, application or issuance of a life insurance policy, no person shall employ any device, scheme or artifice that would result in a violation of section 41-1804, Idaho Code.
- (6) No life settlement provider shall enter into a life settlement contract unless the life settlement promotional, advertising and marketing materials, as may be prescribed by rule, have been filed with the director. In no event shall any marketing materials expressly reference that the insurance is "free" for any period of time. The inclusion of any reference in the marketing materials that would cause an owner to reasonably believe that the insurance is free for any period of time shall be considered a violation of the provisions of sections 41-1950 through 41-1965. Idaho Code.
- (7) No life insurance producer, insurance company, life settlement broker or life settlement provider shall make any statement or representation to the applicant or policyholder in connection with the sale or financing of a life insurance policy to the effect that the insurance is free or without cost to the policyholder for any period of time unless provided in the policy.
- 41-1963. ADVERTISING FOR LIFE SETTLEMENTS. No person required to be licensed pursuant to sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, shall engage in any false or misleading advertising, solicitation, or practice. In no case shall a life settlement broker or provider directly or indirectly market, advertise, solicit or otherwise promote the purchase of a new policy with the primary emphasis on settling the policy or use the words "free," "no cost" or words of similar import in the marketing, advertising, soliciting, or otherwise promoting of the purchase of a policy.
- 41-1964. PENALTY UNFAIR TRADE PRACTICES. A violation of the provisions of sections 41-1950 through 41-1965, Idaho Code, shall be considered an unfair trade practice under chapter 13, title 41, Idaho Code, subject to the penalties contained in that chapter.
- 41-1965. AUTHORITY TO PROMULGATE RULES. The director shall have the authority to promulgate rules implementing the provisions of sections 41-1950 through 41-1964, Idaho Code.
- SECTION 2. The provisions of this act are hereby declared to be severable and if any provision of this act or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance is

- declared invalid for any reason, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this act.